# Poland, Vienna, and Germany plus the

# Obetammetyau Passion Play

with

Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio Fr. Rick Stansberry, Fr. Casey F. Jones, and Deacon Pete Markwald





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\* Flights will be confirmed in late October of 2021. Air is subject to change based on the cost at the time flights & airfare are published.

# Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Ph.D. ("Dr. Italy")



Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio and his wife Susan

Marcellino D'Ambrosio is a NY Times best-selling author and a renowned commentator on Catholic issues appearing on Fox News' "Geraldo Rivera At Large" and Bill O'Reilly's radio show to explain the legacy of Pope John Paul II. A doctoral student of the renowned Avery Cardinal Dulles, Marcellino, (aka "Dr. Italy") will be our principal guide on this pilgrimage, providing expert commentary on the saints and Catholic heritage of Poland, Germany, and Austria.

#### **ITINERARY**

#### **廿August 1, Monday, Day 1: DEPART USA**

Depart on an overnight flight from the USA to Warsaw. Dinner and breakfast will be served on the flight.

#### **廿August 2, Tuesday, Day 2: WARSAW**

Welcome to Poland! Upon arrival, we are greeted by our English-speaking tour guides and assisted to our motorcoach where we head into Warsaw's city center. We enjoy a walking tour of the Old Town with a visit to the Basilica of St. John the Baptist, Warsaw's oldest church. We celebrate Mass at St. James Church, where St. Faustina went on her first trip to Warsaw. We also see Lazienki Park with the Palace on the Water (exterior view), the summer residence of the last Polish King. Settle into our hotel for a well-deserved night of rest. Dinner and overnight in Warsaw. (D)

# ⊕ August 3, Wednesday, Day 3: WARSAW – NIEPOKALANOW – CZESTOCHOWA

Time permitting this morning we visit St. Stanislaw Kostka Church to see the special exhibition devoted to Blessed Father Jerzy Popieluszko, who was murdered by the communists. In the year 2010, the beatification of Father Popieluszko took place in Warsaw. Our drive takes us to Niepokalanow to see the Chapel of St. Maximilian Kolbe, and visit Niepokalanow Sanctuary and the Franciscan Monastery. In the afternoon, we arrive at Czestochowa, one of the greatest pilgrimage sites in Europe where we tour the Jasna Gora complex that withstood the repeated onslaught of overwhelming Swedish forces during the religious wars of the 17th century. Since then it's Black Madonna is venerated as the "Queen of Poland" and has become the country's national symbol. We visit the Pauline Monastery with its priceless treasures, including the Miraculous Icon, and celebrate Mass here. Saint John Paul II was known to make frequent visits to the monastery throughout his life. We will have time to venerate the priceless treasures contained within, including the Miraculous Icon. Dinner and overnight in the area. (B.D)

# ♥August 4, Thursday, Day 4: CZESTOCHOWA – AUSCHWITZ – WADOWICE – KRAKOW

Today we begin with a visit to Auschwitz, the notorious Nazi concentration camp where unspeakable atrocities occurred. We see the cell of St. Maximillian Kolbe and the Martyrdom Museum recalling the horrors of the Holocaust. Continue to Wadowice, the birthplace of Pope John Paul II. Visit his childhood home, now a museum, and the Church of the Presentation of the Virgin Mary where he was baptized. Continue to Krakow and check into our hotel. Dinner and overnight Krakow (B.D)

# 廿August 5, Friday, Day 5: KRAKOW - DIVINE MERCY SHRINE - HAVE NO FEAR CENTER

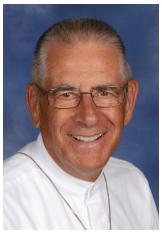
We explore Krakow, one of the oldest cities in Poland and its first capital city. The entire Old Town area is listed on the UNESCO World Heritage List. See the amazing Wawel Hill with the first Polish royal residence, the Wawel Castle (exterior view), the Cathedral, as well as the majestic St. Mary's Church. We also see the Cloth Hall, City Hall Tower, Kanonicza Street, where Pope John Paul II resided while living in Krakow, and the Collegium Maius where he was a student. After lunch, on our own, we visit the Divine Mercy Shrine in Lagiewniki, where Saint Faustina, the Apostle of Divine Mercy, lived and died. Celebrate Mass at the Shrine. We also visit the Have No Fear Center built in honor of St. John Paul. Dinner at leisure. Overnight at the hotel in Krakow. (B)

# ♥August 6, Saturday, Day 6: KRAKOW – KALWARIA – OLOMOUC – VIENNA

This morning we celebrate Mass at the Shrine in Kalwaria, also known as the "Polish Jerusalem." We stop for lunch in Olomouc, located in the heart of the Haná mountain region. The main square is among the country's most beautiful, surrounded by historical buildings and protected by UNESCO. The central streets are dotted with beautiful churches, testifying to the city's long history as a bastion of the Catholic Church in central Europe. We arrive in Vienna and check into our hotel. The bus will transfer us to downtown near St. Stephens Church and



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the Opera House. Dinner will be on our own with time for shopping before we return to our hotel. (B.L)

#### 다August 7, Sunday, Day 7: VIENNA - SALZBURG

After breakfast and hotel check-out, we celebrate Mass at the Votiv Church. Following Mass, we enjoy a sightseeing tour of imperial Vienna, the home of Strauss and Mozart, and one of the most beautiful cities in the world. We visit the spectacular St. Stephen's Cathedral where we'll see the miraculous image of Our Lady of Mariapocs, tour the Cathedral, and its catacombs. We also visit Karlsplatz with its Church of St. Charles Borromeo and Otto Wagner's Stadtbahn pavilions. After a break for lunch, we depart for Salzburg and check into our hotel. We transfer to the city for a 1-hour walking tour and then have leisure time for dinner before returning to our hotel. Overnight in Salzburg (B)

# **PAugust 8, Monday, Day 8: SALZBURG - ST. RADEGUND - OBERAMMERGAU**

Following breakfast, we visit Maria Plain before departing for St. Radegund, Here we see the relics of Blessed Franz Jagenstatter, an Austrian conscientious objector during World War II who was executed and later became a martyr and was Beatified by the Catholic Church. We celebrate Mass in the town church where he was a Sexton. Continue the day towards Oberammergau, where we have a restful night and dinner at the hotel. (B.D.)

#### **<sup>†</sup>August 9, Tuesday, Day 9: OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY**

Today is the highlight of our tour, the world-famous Passion Play, staged every ten years and performed by the local community members. Started in the year 1634, it is still an authentic portrayal depicting the last week of Christ's life. The play takes place on an outdoor stage, and the actors are people from the village who have prepared for their roles for many years. Enjoy time at leisure to explore the woodcarver's village and visit the Oberammergau Museum before the start of the play in the afternoon. We break for dinner before returning to the theater for the conclusion of the play. Mass will be celebrated in the morning. Overnight Oberammergau area. (B.L.D)

#### **☆**August 10, Wednesday, Day 10: BAVARIAN TREASURES – MUNICH

Departing Oberammergau, we celebrate Mass at the magnificent Ettal Monastery (TBC) before driving to Munich, the capital of Bavaria for an afternoon city tour. Our visit includes Frauenkirche (Church of Our Lady) the symbol of Munich with its towering twin onion-domed steeples. We also see Asamkirche, the most famous church in Munich, and the Marienplatz with its whimsical clock. Tonight, we have a fun and festive farewell dinner. Overnight Munich (B. Special dinner)

#### 廿August 11, Thursday, Day 11: RETURN TO USA

After breakfast, we are transferred to the airport for our departure flight home. (B)

## YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES

- Roundtrip airfare from DFW or NYC to WAW and return from MUC to DFW or NYC
- · Airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- First-class hotels for 10 nights including Oberammergau Passion Play 2 night ticket package in a 3\* hotel or 4\* private accommodation in the Oberammergau area (single rooms may not be available in Oberammergau for the 2 nights)
- Admission ticket to the Passion Play in the respective category as allocated by the organizing committee. Select International Tours does not have any control over the seating arrangements or allocation of the accommodations in the Oberammergau area
- Program textbook of the 2022 Passion Play
- · Service charges and hotel taxes
- · Buffet breakfast daily
- 4 hotel dinners at the hotels (standard 3-course menu, beverages available at an additional cost)
- 2 restaurant lunches with up to 2 glasses of beer or wine
- Farewell dinner in a Munich restaurant with up to 2 glasses of beer or wine
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- · Entrance fees included where indicated
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- · Confirmation of daily Mass
- Whisper sets

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- Any items not explicitly mentioned in the listed inclusions
- Beverages at meals unless otherwise noted
- Gratuities for the guide(s), driver, and wait staff however, for convenience we will add \$180 per person to the final invoice to be dispersed on your behalf during the trip.
- · Church donations

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Deposits and final payment: This is an exclusive, by invitation-only, pilgrimage hosted by Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio, who reserves the right to approve all requests to participate in the tour. A \$1000.00 non refundable deposit per person by check should accompany the enrollment form along with your optional travel protection payment, if purchasing, and a copy of your passport picture page by December 4, 2021. Final payment is due by May 3, 2022. A late payment fee of \$100 will be charged per person for all registrations received after the final payment date. Please mail your payment to: Select International Tours, 85 Park Ave., Flemington, NJ 08822 Attn: Jane Allison, 800-842-4842, jane@select-intl.com.

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Tour Cancellation Policy: A \$1,000.00 fee will be assessed if reservation is canceled more than 90 days prior to departure. Within 90 days of departure, all payments are non-refundable regardless of reason for cancellations. All airline tickets are non-refundable once issued. All cancellations must be in writing. Unused portions of the trip are not refundable. If a roommate cancels, the cost of a solo supplement will be added to your invoice. You may be eligible for a refund through your travel protection. Refer to the U.S. Policy by State on our website.

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